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The last weekend of May was a very busy weekend for both our squadron & the wing, as the Kansas Wing Conference & NCO School was hosted in Salina during Memorial Day weekend.

We had 7 cadets attend the NCO school that lasted throughout the weekend. C/SrA Leeanna Dorsey, C/Amn Samuel Dorsey, Cadet Chelsea Fleming, C/SSgt Nathan Fortmayer, C/SrA Cheyenne Hysom, C/TSgt Steele Ward, & C/TSgt Chase Ward all graduated from the NCO school. Congratulations to all the graduates for doing such a great job!

It wasn't just the cadets who learned a lot at the conference. Maj. Glenn Fortmayer, 1LT Susan Ward, & 2LT Nicole Strait attended senior member classes & seminars throughout the day covering topics such as AEO Professional Development, Cadet Programs, & PAO Workshops. They will be able to take this information and help continue to make our squadron one of the best in the state.

Our squadron, as well as several individual members won awards at the conference. These awards were wing wide; anyone in the state could have received them. Our squadron received the Squadron of the Year Award, which is something we should all be quite proud of! We also earned an Aerospace Excellence II Award for the work our cadets completed in the classroom throughout the year.

C/TSgt Chase Ward received Airman of the Year Award and SM April Smith received an award for her work with the Drug Reduction Program. Maj. Glenn Fortmayer received the Wing Cadet Programs Officer of the Year Award as well as the Region Cadet Programs Officer of the Year.

Congratulations to everyone!!!